

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

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TO: Internal File

FROM: Priscilla Burton, CPSSc, Environmental Scientist III *PWB by ar*

RE: Update to the Legal Financial Volume, Deer Creek Mine, C/015/0018, Task ID #2840

SUMMARY:

Federal Lease UTU-84285, Mill Fork West Extension Lease By Application, was included in the permit area in 2006 after review tasks 2544 and 2656. However the new lease information was not added to the Legal Financial Volume. This application provides the updated pages to the Legal Financial Volume and selected maps from the MRP.

PacifiCorp, the Applicant and holder of the permit, has a new address, which is 1407 West North Temple, Ste 310; SLC, Utah 84116. The new telephone number is (801) 220-4140.

PacifiCorp has applied for a federal LBA to access previously unleased coal adjacent to the Mill Fork state lease. The Mill Fork West Extension Tract was an incidental boundary change that adds 213.75 acres to the Deer Creek Mine permit, increasing the permitted area by 9.6 %. It is a change to the underground operations only and does not involve any new surface disturbance.

There are no soils issues with this application as there is no additional surface disturbance. A breakout in Crandall Canyon that was previously anticipated will require further permitting.

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TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

GENERAL CONTENTS

IDENTIFICATION OF INTERESTS

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR 773.22; 30 CFR 778.13; R645-301-112

Analysis:

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Findings:

The approved Mining and Reclamation plan meets the requirements of the Regulations.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE INFORMATION

Regulatory Reference: Pub. L 95-87 Sections 507(b), 508(a), and 516(b); 30 CFR 783., et. al.

PERMIT AREA

Regulatory Requirements: 30 CFR 783.12; R645-301-521.

Analysis:

The Right of Entry Table found in Section 114 of the Legal and Financial Volume indicates that there are 13,194.52 federal lease acres within the permit area and that the total permit area is 19,936.88 acres.

The federal leases are illustrated on Figure 1-1 of Vol. 12.

Findings:

The information provided in the proposed amendment is considered adequate to meet the requirements of this section.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The information is accurate and should be incorporated into the plan.